

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 37, and 39-43 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.

Please amend Claim 35 and add new Claims 44-52, as follows.

Claims 1-34 (Cancelled)

35. (Currently Amended) A developer supply container for supplying a developer, said developer supply container being detachably mountable to an image forming apparatus, said developer supply container comprising:

a container body configured to contain ~~for containing~~ the developer;

a discharging opening, provided in said container body, configured and positioned to permit ~~for permitting~~ discharge of developer from said container body; and

a shutter member configured and positioned to open and close ~~for opening and closing~~ said discharging opening by rotation thereof,

wherein said shutter member is provided with ~~has~~ a plurality of communicating portions ~~for fluid communication~~ communicatable with said discharging opening so as to open said discharging opening irrespective of the rotational direction of said shutter member.

36-43. (Canceled)

44. (New) A container according to Claim 35, wherein said shutter member is provided with a plurality of closing portions capable of closing said discharging opening so as to close said discharging opening irrespective of the rotational direction of said shutter member.

45. (New) A container according to Claim 44, wherein said shutter member includes first and second openings functioning as said communicating portions, and wherein said first and second closing portions function as said plurality of closing portions.

46. (New) A container according to Claim 45, wherein said first opening is caused to communicate with said discharging opening by rotation of said shutter member through a predetermined angle in one rotational direction, and said second opening is caused to communicate with said discharging opening by rotation of said shutter member through said predetermined angle in the other rotational direction.

47. (New) A container according to Claim 45, wherein said first closing portion closes said discharging opening by rotation of said shutter member through a predetermined angle in one rotational direction, and said second closing portion closes said discharging opening by rotation of said shutter member through said predetermined angle in the other rotational direction.

48. (New) A container according to Claim 45, wherein said first closing portion, said first opening, said second closing portion and said second opening are disposed in the

order named with respect to one of the rotational directions of said shutter member, and wherein said first opening and said second opening are disposed opposed to each other, and said first closing portion and said second closing portion are disposed opposed to each other.

49. (New) A container according to Claim 48, wherein an opening operation for opening said discharging opening and a closing operation for closing said discharging opening are capable of being effected by rotation of said shutter member unidirectionally.

50. (New) A container according to Claim 48, wherein an opening operation for opening said discharging opening and a closing operation for closing and discharging opening are capable of being effected by rotating said shutter member in two directions.

51. (New) A container according to Claim 35, wherein said developer supply container supplies the developer to a developer receiving container which is detachably provided in the image forming apparatus.

52. (New) A developer supply container for supplying a developer, said developer supply container being detachably mountable to an image forming apparatus, said developer supply container comprising:

a container body configured to contain the developer;

a discharging opening, provided in said container body, and configured and positioned to permit discharge of developer from said container body; and

a shutter member, provided with a plurality of opening portions configured and positioned to open said discharging opening by rotation thereof, and a plurality of closing portions configured and positioned to close said discharging opening by rotation thereof, and

wherein said opening portions and said closing portions are provided alternately in one rotational direction of said shutter member.